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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2002, the Examiner is invited to consider the following remarks:

Remarks

In the Office Action dated October 3, 2002, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to claims 1-7, 23 and 24 drawn to a method and claims 8-22, 25 and 26 drawn to a micromechanical device.

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Applicants' Attorney hereby elects claims 8-22, 25 and 26 to be examined at this time.

Consequently, in view of the above and in the absence of art better than the art already of record in this application, Applicants' Attorney respectfully submits the application is in condition for allowance which allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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